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ABSTRACT

We use the Kossakowski-Lindblad-Davies formalism to consider an open system defined as the Markovian extension of one-mode quantum oscillator \mathcal{S} , which is perturbed by a piecewise stationary harmonic interaction with a chain of oscillators \mathcal{C} . The long-time asymptotic behaviour of various subsystems of $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{C}$ are obtained in the framework of the dual W^* -dynamical system approach.

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1 Introduction

A quantum Hamiltonian system with time-dependent repeated harmonic interaction was proposed and investigated in [TZ]. The corresponding open system can be defined through the Kossakowski-Lindblad-Davies *dissipative* extension of the Hamiltonian dynamics. In our previous paper [TZ1] the existence and uniqueness of the evolution map for density matrices of the open system are established and its dual W^* -dynamics on the CCR C^* -algebra was described explicitly.

The aim of this paper is to apply the formalism developed in [TZ1] to analysis of dynamics of subsystems, including their long-time asymptotic behaviour and correlations.

Let a and a^* be the annihilation and the creation operators defined in the Fock space \mathcal{F} generated by a cyclic vector Ω (*vacuum*). That is, the Hilbert space \mathcal{F} is the completion of the algebraic span \mathcal{F}_{fin} of vectors $\{(a^*)^m \Omega\}_{m \geq 0}$ and a, a^* satisfy the Canonical Commutation Relations (CCR)

$$[a, a^*] = \mathbb{1}, \quad [a, a] = 0, \quad [a^*, a^*] = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{F}_{\text{fin}}. \quad (1.1)$$

We denote by $\{\mathcal{H}_k\}_{k=0}^N$ the copies of \mathcal{F} for an arbitrary but finite $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and by $\mathcal{H}^{(N)}$ the Hilbert space tensor product of these copies:

$$\mathcal{H}^{(N)} := \bigotimes_{k=0}^N \mathcal{H}_k = \mathcal{F}^{\otimes(N+1)}. \quad (1.2)$$

In this space we define for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ the operators

$$b_k := \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes a \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1}, \quad b_k^* := \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes a^* \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1}, \quad (1.3)$$

where operator a (respectively a^*) is the $(k+1)$ th factor in (1.3). They satisfy the CCR:

$$[b_k, b_{k'}^*] = \delta_{k,k'} \mathbb{1}, \quad [b_k, b_{k'}] = [b_k^*, b_{k'}^*] = 0 \quad (k, k' = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N) \quad (1.4)$$

on the algebraic tensor product $(\mathcal{F}_{\text{fin}})^{\otimes(N+1)}$.

Recall that non-autonomous system with Hamiltonian for time-dependent *repeated* harmonic perturbation proposed in [TZ] has the form

$$H_N(t) := E b_0^* b_0 + \epsilon \sum_{k=1}^N b_k^* b_k + \eta \sum_{k=1}^N \chi_{[(k-1)\tau, k\tau)}(t) (b_0^* b_k + b_k^* b_0) . \quad (1.5)$$

Here $t \in [0, N\tau)$, the parameters: τ, E, ϵ, η are *positive*, and $\chi_{[x,y)}(\cdot)$ is the characteristic function of the semi-open interval $[x, y) \subset \mathbb{R}$. It is obvious that $H_N(t)$ is a self-adjoint operator with time-independent domain

$$\mathcal{D}_0 = \bigcap_{k=0}^N \text{dom}(b_k^* b_k) \subset \mathcal{H}^{(N)} . \quad (1.6)$$

The model (1.5) presents the system $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{C}_N$, where \mathcal{S} is the quantum one-mode *cavity*, which is repeatedly perturbed by a time-equidistant *chain* of subsystem: $\mathcal{C}_N = \mathcal{S}_1 + \mathcal{S}_2 + \dots + \mathcal{S}_N$. Here $\{\mathcal{S}_k\}_{k \geq 1}$ can be considered as “*atoms*” with harmonic internal degrees of freedom. This interpretation is motivated by certain physical models known as the “one-atom maser” [BJM], [NVZ]. The Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}} := \mathcal{H}_0$ corresponds to subsystem \mathcal{S} and the Hilbert space \mathcal{H}_k to subsystems \mathcal{S}_k ($k = 1, \dots, N$), respectively. Then (1.2) is

$$\mathcal{H}^{(N)} = \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_N} , \quad \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_N} := \bigotimes_{k=1}^N \mathcal{H}_k . \quad (1.7)$$

By (1.5) only *one* subsystem \mathcal{S}_n interacts with \mathcal{S} for $t \in [(n-1)\tau, n\tau)$. In this sense, the interaction is *tuned* [TZ]. The system $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{C}_N$ is *autonomous* on each interval $[(n-1)\tau, n\tau)$ governed by the self-adjoint Hamiltonian

$$H_n := E b_0^* b_0 + \epsilon \sum_{k=1}^N b_k^* b_k + \eta (b_0^* b_n + b_n^* b_0) , \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N , \quad (1.8)$$

on domain \mathcal{D}_0 . Note that if

$$\eta^2 \leq E \epsilon , \quad (1.9)$$

Hamiltonians (1.5) and (1.8) are semi-bounded from below.

We denote by $\mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ the Banach space of the *trace-class* operators on $\mathcal{H}^{(N)}$. Its dual space is isometrically isomorph to the Banach space of bounded operators on $\mathcal{H}^{(N)}$: $\mathfrak{C}_1^*(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}) \simeq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$. The corresponding dual pair is defined by the bilinear functional

$$\langle \phi | A \rangle_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}} = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}}(\phi A) \quad \text{for } (\phi, A) \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}) \times \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}) . \quad (1.10)$$

The positive operators $\rho \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ with unit trace is the set of *density matrices*. Recall that the state ω_ρ over $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ is *normal* if there is a density matrix ρ such that

$$\omega_\rho(\cdot) = \langle \rho | \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}} . \quad (1.11)$$

1.1 Master equation

To make the system $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{C}_N$ open, we couple it to the *boson* reservoir \mathcal{R} , [AJP3]. More precisely, we follow the scheme $(\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{R}) + \mathcal{C}_N$, i.e. we study repeated perturbation of the open system $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{R}$ [NVZ].

Evolution of normal states of the open system $(\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{R}) + \mathcal{C}_N$ can be described by the Kossakowski-Lindblad-Davies dissipative extension of the Hamiltonian dynamics to the Markovian dynamics with the time-dependent generator [AL], [AJP2]

$$L_\sigma(t)(\rho) := -i[H_N(t), \rho] + \mathcal{Q}(\rho) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})\rho + \rho\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})), \quad (1.12)$$

for $t \geq 0$ and $\rho \in \text{dom} L_\sigma(t) \subset \mathfrak{L}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$. Here the first operator $\mathcal{Q} : \rho \mapsto \mathcal{Q}(\rho) \in \mathfrak{L}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ in the dissipative part of (1.12) has the form:

$$\mathcal{Q}(\cdot) = \sigma_- b_0(\cdot) b_0^* + \sigma_+ b_0^*(\cdot) b_0, \quad \sigma_\mp \geq 0, \quad (1.13)$$

and the operator \mathcal{Q}^* is its dual via relation $\langle \mathcal{Q}(\rho) | A \rangle_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}} = \langle \rho | \mathcal{Q}^*(A) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}}$:

$$\mathcal{Q}^*(\cdot) = \sigma_- b_0^*(\cdot) b_0 + \sigma_+ b_0(\cdot) b_0^*. \quad (1.14)$$

By virtue of (1.5), for $t \in [(n-1)\tau, n\tau)$, the generator (1.12) takes the form

$$L_{\sigma,n}(\rho) := -i[H_n, \rho] + \mathcal{Q}(\rho) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})\rho + \rho\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})). \quad (1.15)$$

The mathematical problem concerning the open quantum system is to solve the Cauchy problem for the non-autonomous quantum Master Equation [AJP2]

$$\partial_t \rho(t) = L_\sigma(t)(\rho(t)), \quad \rho(0) = \rho. \quad (1.16)$$

For the tuned repeated perturbation, this solution is a strongly continuous family $\{T_{t,0}^\sigma\}_{t \geq 0}$, which is defined by composition of the one-step evolution semigroups:

$$T_{t,0}^\sigma = T_{t,(n-1)\tau}^\sigma T_{n-1}^\sigma \cdots T_2^\sigma T_1^\sigma,$$

where $t = (n-1)\tau + \nu(t)$, $n \leq N$, $\nu(t) < \tau$. Here we put

$$T_k^\sigma := T_k^\sigma(\tau), \quad T_k^\sigma(s) := e^{sL_{\sigma,k}} \quad (s \geq 0), \quad (1.17)$$

and then $T_{t,(n-1)\tau}^\sigma = T_n^\sigma(\nu(t))$ holds. The evolution map is connected to solution of the Cauchy problem (1.16) by

$$T_{t,0}^\sigma : \rho \mapsto \rho(t) = T_{t,0}^\sigma(\rho). \quad (1.18)$$

The construction of unique positivity- and trace-preserving dynamical semigroup on $\mathfrak{L}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ for *unbounded* generator (1.15) is a nontrivial problem. It is done in [TZ1] under the conditions (1.9) and

$$0 \leq \sigma_+ < \sigma_- . \quad (1.19)$$

for the coefficients in (1.13, 1.14). Then, $\{T_k^\sigma(s)\}_{s \geq 0}$ for each k (1.17) is the Markov dynamical semigroup, and (1.18) is automorphism on the set of density matrices.

1.2 Evolution in the dual space

In order to control the evolution of normal states, it is usual to consider the W^* -dynamical system $(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}), \{T_{t,0}^{\sigma*}\}_{t \geq 0})$, where $\{T_{t,0}^{\sigma*}\}_{t \geq 0}$ are weak*-continuous evolution maps on the von Neumann algebra $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}) \simeq \mathfrak{C}_1^*(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ [AJP1]. They are dual to the evolution (1.18) on $\mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ by the relation (1.10):

$$\langle T_{t,0}^{\sigma}(\rho) \mid A \rangle_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}} = \langle \rho \mid T_{t,0}^{\sigma*}(A) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}^{(N)}} \quad \text{for } (\rho, A) \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}) \times \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}), \quad (1.20)$$

which uniquely defines the map $A \mapsto T_{t,0}^{\sigma*}(A)$ for $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$. The corresponding dual time-dependent generator is formally given by

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\sigma}^*(t)(\cdot) &= i[H_N(t), \cdot] + \\ &+ \mathcal{Q}^*(\cdot) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})(\cdot) + (\cdot)\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})) \quad \text{for } t \geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (1.21)$$

When $t \in [(k-1)\tau, k\tau)$, the above generator has the form

$$L_{\sigma,k}^*(\cdot) = i[H_k, \cdot] + \mathcal{Q}^*(\cdot) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})(\cdot) + (\cdot)\mathcal{Q}^*(\mathbb{1})). \quad (1.22)$$

We adopt the notations

$$T_k^{\sigma*} = T_k^{\sigma}(\tau)^*, \quad T_{t,(n-1)\tau}^{\sigma*} = T_n^{\sigma}(\nu(t))^*, \quad \text{and } T_k^{\sigma}(s)^* := e^{sL_{\sigma,k}^*} \quad (s \geq 0), \quad (1.23)$$

dual to (1.17) for $t = (n-1)\tau + \nu(t)$, $n \leq N$, $\nu(t) < \tau$. Then, we obtain

$$T_{t,0}^{\sigma*}(A) = T_1^{\sigma*} T_2^{\sigma*} \dots T_{n-1}^{\sigma*} T_{t,(n-1)\tau}^{\sigma*}(A) \quad \text{for } A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}). \quad (1.24)$$

Let $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F})$ (or $\text{CCR}(\mathbb{C})$) denote the Weyl CCR-algebra on \mathcal{F} . This unital C^* -algebra is generated as operator-norm completion of the linear span \mathcal{A}_w of the set of Weyl operators

$$\widehat{w}(\alpha) = e^{i\Phi(\alpha)} \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{C}), \quad (1.25)$$

where $\Phi(\alpha) = (\bar{\alpha}a + \alpha a^*)/\sqrt{2}$ is the self-adjoint Segal operator in \mathcal{F} . [The closure of the sum is understood.] Then CCR (1.1) take the Weyl form

$$\widehat{w}(\alpha_1)\widehat{w}(\alpha_2) = e^{-i\text{Im}(\bar{\alpha}_1\alpha_2)/2} \widehat{w}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \quad \text{for } \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (1.26)$$

We note that $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F})$ is contained in the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F})$ of all *bounded* operators on \mathcal{F} .

Similarly we define the Weyl CCR-algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)}) \subset \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ over $\mathcal{H}^{(N)}$. This algebra is generated by operators

$$W(\zeta) = \bigotimes_{j=0}^N \widehat{w}(\zeta_j) \quad \text{for } \zeta = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_0 \\ \zeta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \zeta_N \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{N+1}. \quad (1.27)$$

By (1.3), the Weyl operators (1.27) can be rewritten as

$$W(\zeta) = \exp[i(\langle \zeta, b \rangle + \langle b, \zeta \rangle)/\sqrt{2}] , \quad (1.28)$$

where the sesquilinear form notations

$$\langle \zeta, b \rangle := \sum_{j=0}^N \bar{\zeta}_j b_j, \quad \langle b, \zeta \rangle := \sum_{j=0}^N \zeta_j b_j^* \quad (1.29)$$

are used. Let us recall that $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ is weakly dense in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ [AJP1].

Explicit formulae for evolution operators (1.23) acting on the Weyl operators has been established in [TZ1]. For $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$, let J_n and X_n be $(N+1) \times (N+1)$ Hermitian matrices:

$$(J_n)_{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 & (j = k = 0 \text{ or } j = k = n) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad (1.30)$$

$$(X_n)_{jk} = \begin{cases} (E - \epsilon)/2 & (j, k) = (0, 0) \\ -(E - \epsilon)/2 & (j, k) = (n, n) \\ \eta & (j, k) = (0, n) \\ \eta & (j, k) = (n, 0) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}. \quad (1.31)$$

We define the matrices

$$Y_n := \epsilon I + \frac{E - \epsilon}{2} J_n + X_n \quad (n = 1, \dots, N), \quad (1.32)$$

where I is the $(N+1) \times (N+1)$ identity matrix. Then Hamiltonian (1.8) takes the form

$$H_n = \sum_{j,k=0}^N (Y_n)_{jk} b_j^* b_k. \quad (1.33)$$

We also need the $(N+1) \times (N+1)$ matrix P_0 defined by $(P_0)_{jk} = \delta_{j0} \delta_{k0}$ ($j, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$). Then one obtains the following proposition which is proved in [TZ1]:

Proposition 1.1 *Let $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ and $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$. Then for $s \geq 0$, the dual Markov dynamical semigroup (1.23) on the Weyl C^* -algebra has the form*

$$T_n^{\sigma*}(s)(W(\zeta)) = \Omega_{n,s}^\sigma(\zeta) W(U_n^\sigma(s)\zeta), \quad (1.34)$$

where

$$\Omega_{n,s}^\sigma(\zeta) := \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} (\langle \zeta, \zeta \rangle - \langle U_n^\sigma(s)\zeta, U_n^\sigma(s)\zeta \rangle) \right] \quad (1.35)$$

and

$$U_n^\sigma(s) = \exp \left[i s \left(Y_n + i \frac{\sigma_- - \sigma_+}{2} P_0 \right) \right] \quad (1.36)$$

under the conditions (1.9) and (1.19). Therefore, the k -step evolution ($t = k\tau, k \leq N$ in (1.24)) of the Weyl operator is given by

$$T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma*}(W(\zeta)) = \exp \left[-\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} (\langle \zeta, \zeta \rangle - \langle U_1^\sigma \dots U_k^\sigma \zeta, U_1^\sigma \dots U_k^\sigma \zeta \rangle) \right] \\ \times W(U_1^\sigma \dots U_k^\sigma \zeta), \quad (1.37)$$

where $T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma*} = T_1^{\sigma*} T_2^{\sigma*} \dots T_k^{\sigma*}$ and $U_n^\sigma := U_n^\sigma(\tau)$.

Remark 1.2 The explicit expression of the matrix $U_n^\sigma(t)$ in (1.36) is given by $U_n^\sigma(t) = e^{it\epsilon} V_n^\sigma(t)$, where

$$(V_n^\sigma(t))_{jk} = \begin{cases} g^\sigma(t) z^\sigma(t) \delta_{k0} + g^\sigma(t) w^\sigma(t) \delta_{kn} & (j = 0) \\ g^\sigma(t) w^\sigma(t) \delta_{k0} + g^\sigma(t) z^\sigma(-t) \delta_{kn} & (j = n) \\ \delta_{jk} & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}. \quad (1.38)$$

Here $E_\sigma := E + i(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)/2$ and

$$g^\sigma(t) := e^{it(E_\sigma - \epsilon)/2}, \quad w^\sigma(t) := \frac{2i\eta}{\sqrt{(E_\sigma - \epsilon)^2 + 4\eta^2}} \sin t \sqrt{\frac{(E_\sigma - \epsilon)^2}{4} + \eta^2}, \quad (1.39)$$

$$z^\sigma(t) := \cos t \sqrt{\frac{(E_\sigma - \epsilon)^2}{4} + \eta^2} + \frac{i(E_\sigma - \epsilon)}{\sqrt{(E_\sigma - \epsilon)^2 + 4\eta^2}} \sin t \sqrt{\frac{(E_\sigma - \epsilon)^2}{4} + \eta^2}. \quad (1.40)$$

Note that the relation $z^\sigma(t)z^\sigma(-t) - w^\sigma(t)^2 = 1$ holds for any $\sigma_\pm \geq 0$, whereas one has $|g^\sigma(t)|^2(|z^\sigma(t)|^2 + |w^\sigma(t)|^2) < 1$ and $z^\sigma(-t) \neq \overline{z^\sigma(t)}$ for $0 \leq \sigma_+ < \sigma_-$.

Hereafter, together with (1.37) we also use the following short-hand notations:

$$g^\sigma = g^\sigma(\tau), \quad w^\sigma := w^\sigma(\tau), \quad z^\sigma = z^\sigma(\tau) \quad \text{and} \quad V_n^\sigma := V_n^\sigma(\tau). \quad (1.41)$$

Remark 1.3 Dual dynamical semigroups (1.34) and the evolution operator (1.37) are examples of the quasi-free maps on the Weyl C^* -algebra. Using the arguments of [DVV], we have shown in [TZ1] that they can be extended to the unity-preserving completely positive linear maps on $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{(N)})$ under the conditions (1.9) and (1.19).

The aim of the rest of the paper is to study evolution of the reduced density matrices for subsystems of the total system $(\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{R}) + \mathcal{C}_N$.

In Section 2, we consider the subsystem \mathcal{S} . This includes analysis of convergence to stationary states in the infinite-time limit $N \rightarrow \infty$. We also perform a similar analysis for the subsystems $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_m$ and $\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n$. Section 3 is devoted to a more complicated problem of evolution of reduced density matrices for finite subsystems, which include \mathcal{S} and a part of \mathcal{C}_N . This allows us to detect an asymptotic behaviour of the quantum correlations between \mathcal{S} and a part of \mathcal{C}_N caused by repeated perturbation and dissipation for large N in terms of those for small N with the stable initial state.

For the brevity, we hereafter suppress the dependence on N of the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}^{(N)}$ as well as of the Hamiltonian $H_N(t)$ and the subsystem \mathcal{C}_N , when it will not cause any confusion.

2 Time Evolution of Subsystems I

2.1 Subsystem \mathcal{S}

We start by analysis of the simplest subsystem \mathcal{S} . Let the initial state of the total system $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{C}$ be defined by a density matrix $\rho \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}})$. Then for any $t \geq 0$, the evolved state $\omega_{\mathcal{S}}^t(\cdot)$ on the Weyl C^* -algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}})$ of subsystem \mathcal{S} is given by the partial trace:

$$\omega_{\mathcal{S}}^t(A) = \omega_{\rho(t)}(A \otimes \mathbb{1}) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_N}}(T_{t,0}^{\sigma}(\rho_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \rho_{\mathcal{C}}) A \otimes \mathbb{1}) \quad \text{for } A \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}}), \quad (2.1)$$

where $\rho(t) = T_{t,0}^{\sigma} \rho$ and $\mathbb{1} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}})$. Recall that for a density matrix $\varrho \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}})$, the *partial trace* of ϱ with respect to the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}}$ is a bounded linear map $\text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}}} : \varrho \mapsto \widehat{\varrho} \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}})$ characterised by the identity

$$\text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}}}(\varrho(A \otimes \mathbb{1})) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}}}(\widehat{\varrho} A) \quad \text{for } A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}}). \quad (2.2)$$

If one puts

$$\rho_{\mathcal{S}}(t) := \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}}}(T_{t,0}^{\sigma}(\rho)), \quad (2.3)$$

then one gets the identity

$$\omega_{\mathcal{S}}^t(A) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}}}(\rho_{\mathcal{S}}(t) A) =: \omega_{\rho_{\mathcal{S}}(t)}(A), \quad (2.4)$$

by (2.1), i.e., $\rho_{\mathcal{S}}(t)$ is the density matrix defining the normal state $\omega_{\mathcal{S}}^t$.

In the followings, we mainly consider the *initial* density matrices of the form:

$$\rho = \rho_{\mathcal{S}} \otimes \rho_{\mathcal{C}} \quad \text{for } \rho_{\mathcal{S}} = \rho_0, \quad \rho_{\mathcal{C}} = \bigotimes_{k=1}^N \rho_k \quad \text{with } \rho_1 = \rho_2 = \dots = \rho_N. \quad (2.5)$$

Note that the *characteristic function* $E_{\omega_{\mathcal{S}}} : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of the state $\omega_{\mathcal{S}}$ on the algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}})$ is

$$E_{\omega_{\mathcal{S}}}(\theta) = \omega_{\mathcal{S}}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) \quad (2.6)$$

and that (2.6) can uniquely determine the state $\omega_{\mathcal{S}}$ by the Araki-Segal theorem [AJP1].

Lemma 2.1 *Let $A = \widehat{w}(\theta)$. Then evolution of (2.1) on the interval $[0, \tau)$ yields*

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\omega_{\mathcal{S}}^t}(\theta) &= \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} (1 - |g^{\sigma}(t) z^{\sigma}(t)|^2 - |g^{\sigma}(t) w^{\sigma}(t)|^2) \right] \\ &\quad \times \omega_{\rho_0}(\widehat{w}(e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^{\sigma}(t) z^{\sigma}(t) \theta)) \omega_{\rho_1}(\widehat{w}(e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^{\sigma}(t) w^{\sigma}(t) \theta)), \quad t \in [0, \tau). \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

Proof : By (1.27), we obtain that $W(\theta e) = \widehat{w}(\theta) \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1}$ for the vector $e = {}^t(1, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$, where ${}^t(\dots)$ means the *vector-transposition*, cf (1.27). Then (2.1)-(2.4) yield

$$\omega_{\mathcal{S}}^t(\widehat{w}(\theta)) = \omega_{\rho(t)}(\widehat{w}(\theta) \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1}) = \omega_{\rho_{\mathcal{S}}(t)}(\widehat{w}(\theta)). \quad (2.8)$$

By virtue of duality (1.20) and (1.37) for $k = 1$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_{\rho_S(t)}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) &= \omega_{\rho_S \otimes \rho_C}((T_{t,0}^{\sigma*} W)(\theta e)) = \omega_{\bigotimes_{j=0}^N \rho_j}((T_{t,0}^{\sigma*} W)(\theta e)) \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} (1 - \langle U_1^\sigma(t) e, U_1^\sigma(t) e \rangle) \right] \omega_{\bigotimes_{j=0}^N \rho_j}(W(\theta U_1^\sigma(t) e)).\end{aligned}$$

Taking into account (1.38) and (2.6), one obtains for (2.8) the expression which coincides with assertion (2.7). \square

Similarly, for $t = m\tau$ we obtain the characteristic function

$$\begin{aligned}E_{\omega_S^{m\tau}}(\theta) &= \omega_{\rho_S \otimes \rho_C}(T_{m\tau,0}^{\sigma*}(W(\theta e))) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} (1 - \langle U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e, U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e \rangle) \right] \\ &\quad \times \omega_{\bigotimes_{j=0}^N \rho_j}(W(\theta U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e)) = \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} (1 - \langle U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e, U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e \rangle) \right] \prod_{j=0}^N \omega_{\rho_j}(\widehat{w}(\theta (U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e)_j)),\end{aligned}\tag{2.9}$$

where we have used (1.27) and (1.37). By (1.38) we obtain

$$(U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e)_k = \begin{cases} e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma(\tau) z^\sigma(\tau))^m & (k = 0) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma(\tau) w^\sigma(\tau) (g^\sigma(\tau) z^\sigma(\tau))^{m-k} & (1 \leq k \leq m) \\ 0 & (m < k \leq N). \end{cases}\tag{2.10}$$

Then taking into account $|g^\sigma z^\sigma| < 1$ (Remark 1.2), we find

$$\begin{aligned}\langle e, e \rangle - \langle U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e, U_1^\sigma \dots U_m^\sigma e \rangle \\ = (1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^{2m}) \left[1 - \frac{|g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} \right].\end{aligned}\tag{2.11}$$

By setting $m = N$, (2.6), (2.9)-(2.11) yield the following result.

Lemma 2.2 *The state of the subsystem \mathcal{S} after N -step evolution has the characteristic function*

$$\begin{aligned}E_{\omega_S^{N\tau}}(\theta) &= \omega_{\rho_S(N\tau)}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} (1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^{2N}) \left(1 - \frac{|g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} \right) \right] \\ &\quad \times \omega_{\rho_0}(\widehat{w}(e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma)^N (z^\sigma)^N \theta)) \prod_{k=1}^N \omega_{\rho_k}(\widehat{w}(e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma)^{N-k+1} (z^\sigma)^{N-k} w^\sigma \theta)).\end{aligned}\tag{2.12}$$

To consider the asymptotic behaviour of the state $\omega_S^{N\tau}$ for large N , we assume that the state ω_{ρ_k} on $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F})$ is *gauge-invariant*, i.e.,

$$e^{-i\phi a^* a} \rho_k e^{i\phi a^* a} = \rho_k \quad (\phi \in \mathbb{R})\tag{2.13}$$

for each component of the initial density matrix ρ_C (2.5).

Theorem 2.3 Let ω_{ρ_k} be gauge-invariant for $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ and suppose that the product

$$D(\theta) := \prod_{s=0}^{\infty} \omega_{\rho_1}(\widehat{w}((g^\sigma z^\sigma)^s \theta)), \quad (2.14)$$

converges for any $\theta \in \mathbb{C}$ and let the map $\mathbb{R} \ni r \mapsto D(r\theta) \in \mathbb{C}$ be continuous. Then for any initial normal state $\omega_S^0(\cdot) = \omega_{\rho_0}(\cdot)$ of the subsystem \mathcal{S} , the following properties hold.

(a) The pointwise limit of the characteristic functions (2.12) exists

$$E_*(\theta) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \omega_{\rho_S(N\tau)}(\widehat{w}(\theta)), \quad \theta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (2.15)$$

(b) There exists a unique density matrix ρ_*^S such that the limit (2.15) is a characteristic function of the gauge-invariant normal state: $E_*(\theta) = \omega_{\rho_*^S}(\widehat{w}(\theta))$.

(c) The states $\{\omega_S^{m\tau}\}_{m \geq 1}$ converge to $\omega_{\rho_*^S}$ for $m \rightarrow \infty$ in the weak*-topology.

Proof: (a) By (1.25) and by the gauge-invariance (2.13), one gets $\omega_{\rho_k}(\widehat{w}(e^{i\phi}\theta)) = \omega_{\rho_k}(\widehat{w}(\theta))$ for every $\phi \in \mathbb{R}$. Hence, for $1 \leq k \leq N$ the characteristic functions $E_{\omega_{\rho_k}}(\theta)$ depend only on $|\theta|$, and we can skip the factor $e^{iN\tau\epsilon}$ in the arguments of the factors in the right-hand side of (2.12). Note that for $N \rightarrow \infty$ the factor ω_{ρ_0} converges to one, since the normal states are regular and $|g^\sigma z^\sigma| < 1$ (see Remark 1.2). Hence, the pointwise limit (2.15) follows from (2.12) and the hypothesis (2.14). It does not depend on the initial state ω_{ρ_0} of the subsystem \mathcal{S} and the explicit expression of (2.15) is given by

$$E_*(\theta) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} \left(1 - \frac{|g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} \right) \right] D(g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta). \quad (2.16)$$

(b) The limit (2.16) inherits the properties of characteristic functions $E_{\omega_S^{m\tau}}(\theta) = \omega_S^{m\tau}(\widehat{w}(\theta))$:

(i) normalisation: $E_*(0) = 1$,

(ii) unitary: $\overline{E_*(\theta)} = E_*(-\theta)$,

(iii) positive definiteness: $\sum_{k,k'=1}^K \overline{z_k} z_{k'} e^{-i \operatorname{Im}(\overline{\theta_k} \theta_{k'})/2} E_*(\theta_k - \theta_{k'}) \geq 0$ for any $K \geq 1$ and $z_k \in \mathbb{C}$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, K$),

(iv) regularity: the continuity of the map $r \mapsto D(r\theta)$ implies that the function $r \mapsto E_*(r\theta)$ is also continuous.

Then by the Araki-Segal theorem, the properties (i)-(iv) guarantee the existence of the unique normal state $\omega_{\rho_*^S}$ over the CCR algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_S)$ such that $E_*(\theta) = \omega_{\rho_*^S}(\widehat{w}(\theta))$. Taking into account (a) and (2.16) we conclude that in contrast to the initial state ω_S^0 the limit state $\omega_{\rho_*^S}$ is gauge-invariant.

(c) The convergence (2.14) can be extended by linearity to the algebraic span of the set of Weyl operators $\{\widehat{w}(\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in \mathbb{C}}$. Since it is norm-dense in C^* -algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_S)$, the weak*-convergence of the states $\omega_S^{m\tau}$ to the limit state $\omega_{\rho_*^S}$ follows (see [BR1], [AJP1]). \square

Remark 2.4 (a) By Theorem 2.3 (a)-(b), one has $\rho_*^S = \rho_*^S(\tau)$, i.e. the limit state $\omega_{\rho_*^S}$ is invariant under the one-step evolution $T_{\tau,0}^\sigma$. Comparing (2.7) and (2.16) one finds that

$\rho_*^S \neq \rho_*^S(\nu)$ for $0 < \nu < \tau$. Instead, the evolution for repeated perturbation yields the asymptotic periodicity:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\omega_{\rho_*^S(t)}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) - \omega_{\rho_*^S(\nu(t))}(\widehat{w}(\theta))) = 0, \text{ for } t = (n-1)\tau + \nu(t). \quad (2.17)$$

(b) Let ρ_1 in (2.5) correspond to the quasi-free gauge-invariant Gibbs state for the inverse temperature $\beta > 0$ and let $\omega_{\rho_0}(\cdot)$ be any initial normal state of the subsystem \mathcal{S} . Since

$$\omega_{\rho_1}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} |\theta|^2 \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right] \quad (2.18)$$

holds, we obtain for (2.14):

$$D(\theta) = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} \frac{|\theta|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right]. \quad (2.19)$$

Put $\lambda^\sigma(\tau) := |g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2 (1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2)^{-1} \in [0, 1)$ (Remark 1.2). Then for the characteristic function of the limit state in Theorem 2.3, we get

$$\omega_{\rho_*}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \left((1 - \lambda^\sigma(\tau)) \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} + \lambda^\sigma(\tau) \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right) \right]. \quad (2.20)$$

If $w^\sigma = 0$ (i.e. $\lambda^\sigma(\tau) = 0$), the subsystem \mathcal{S} seems to interact only with reservoir \mathcal{R} , and it evolves to a steady state with characteristic function

$$E_{*0}(\theta) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} \right], \quad 0 \leq \sigma_+ < \sigma_-, \quad (2.21)$$

which corresponds to the quasi-free Gibbs state for the inverse temperature $\beta_{*0} := \ln(\sigma_-/\sigma_+)$. This reflects thermal equilibrium between \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{R} . In this sense, β_{*0} is the inverse temperature of the external reservoir \mathcal{R} [NVZ].

If $w^\sigma \neq 0$, the steady state (2.20) of subsystem \mathcal{S} has the characteristic function

$$E_*(\theta) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta_*^\sigma(\tau)}{2} \right], \quad (2.22)$$

where the inverse temperature $\beta_*^\sigma(\tau)$ is defined by

$$\coth \frac{\beta_*^\sigma(\tau)}{2} = (1 - \lambda^\sigma(\tau)) \coth \frac{\beta_{*0}}{2} + \lambda^\sigma(\tau) \coth \frac{\beta}{2}.$$

Note that $\beta_*^\sigma(\tau)$ satisfies either $\beta_{*0} \leq \beta_*^\sigma(\tau) \leq \beta$ or $\beta_{*0} \geq \beta_*^\sigma(\tau) \geq \beta$.

2.2 Correlations: subsystems $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_n$ and $\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n$

To study quantum correlations induced by repeated perturbation, we cast the first glance on the *bipartite* subsystems $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_n$ and $\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n$. We consider the initial density matrix (2.5) satisfying

$$\omega_{\rho_0}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta_0}{2} \right], \quad \omega_{\rho_j}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right]. \quad (2.23)$$

From (1.20) and (1.37), we have:

Proposition 2.5 *For evolved density matrix $\rho(N\tau) = T_{N\tau,0}^\sigma \rho$ the characteristic function of the state $\omega_{\rho(N\tau)}(\cdot)$ is*

$$\omega_{\rho(N\tau)}(W(\zeta)) = \langle \rho | T_{N\tau,0}^{\sigma*}(W(\zeta)) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4} \langle \zeta, X^\sigma(N\tau) \zeta \rangle \right], \quad (2.24)$$

where $X^\sigma(N\tau)$ is the $(N+1) \times (N+1)$ matrix given by

$$\begin{aligned} X^\sigma(N\tau) &= U_N^{\sigma*} \dots U_1^{\sigma*} \left[\left(-\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} + \frac{1 + e^{-\beta}}{1 - e^{-\beta}} \right) I + \left(\frac{1 + e^{-\beta_0}}{1 - e^{-\beta_0}} - \frac{1 + e^{-\beta}}{1 - e^{-\beta}} \right) P_0 \right] \\ &\quad \times U_1^\sigma \dots U_N^\sigma + \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} I. \end{aligned} \quad (2.25)$$

Remark 2.6 *In the theory of quantum correlation and entanglement for quasi-free states the matrix $X^\sigma(t)$ is known as the covariant matrix for Gaussian states, see [AdII], [Ke]. Indeed, differentiating (2.24) with respect to components of ζ and $\bar{\zeta}$ at $\zeta = 0$, one can identify the entries of $X^\sigma(t)$ with expectations of monomials generated by the creation and the annihilation operators involved in (1.28), (1.29).*

Subsystem $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_n$. For $1 < n \leq N$ the initial state $\omega_{\mathcal{S}+\mathcal{S}_n}^0(\cdot)$ on the Weyl C^* -algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_0 \otimes \mathcal{H}_n) \simeq \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_0) \otimes \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_n)$ of this composed subsystem is given by the partial trace

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{\mathcal{S}+\mathcal{S}_n}^0(\widehat{w}(\alpha_0) \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_1)) &= \omega_\rho(\widehat{w}(\alpha_0) \otimes \bigotimes_{k=1}^{n-1} \mathbb{1} \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_1) \otimes \bigotimes_{k=n+1}^N \mathbb{1}) \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{|\alpha_0|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta_0}{2} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{|\alpha_1|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.26)$$

This is the characteristic function of the product state corresponding to two isolated systems with different temperatures. Put $\zeta^{(0,n)} := {}^t(\alpha_0, 0, \dots, 0, \alpha_1, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$, where α_1 occupies the $(n+1)$ th position. Then we get

$$\omega_{\mathcal{S}+\mathcal{S}_n}^{N\tau}(\widehat{w}(\alpha_0) \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_1)) = \omega_{\rho(N\tau)}(W(\zeta^{(0,n)})) . \quad (2.27)$$

For the components of the vector $U_1^\sigma \dots U_N^\sigma \zeta^{(0,n)}$, we get from Remark 1.2 that

$$(U_1^\sigma \dots U_N^\sigma \zeta^{(0,n)})_k = \quad (2.28)$$

$$\begin{cases} e^{iN\tau\epsilon} [(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^N \alpha_0 + (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{n-1} g^\sigma w^\sigma \alpha_1], & (k=0) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} [(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{N-k} g^\sigma w^\sigma \alpha_0 + (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{n-k-1} (g^\sigma w^\sigma)^2 \alpha_1], & (1 \leq k < n) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} [(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{N-n} g^\sigma w^\sigma \alpha_0 + g^\sigma z^\sigma (-\tau) \alpha_1], & (k=n) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{N-k} g^\sigma w^\sigma \alpha_0 & (n < k \leq N). \end{cases}$$

Substitution of these expressions into (2.24) and (2.25) allows to calculate off-diagonal entries of the matrix $X^\sigma(N\tau)$ for $\zeta = \zeta^{(0,n)}$, which correspond to the cross-terms involving α_0 and α_1 .

Because of $|g^\sigma z^\sigma| < 1$ (Remark 1.2), these non-zero off-diagonal entries will disappear when $N \rightarrow \infty$ for a fixed n . Hence, in the long-time limit the composed subsystem $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_n$ evolves from the product of two initial equilibrium states (2.26) to another product-state. On the other hand, the cross-terms will not disappear in the limit $N, n \rightarrow \infty$, when $N - n$ is fixed [TZ]. It is interesting that in this case the steady state of the subsystem \mathcal{S} keeps a correlation with subsystem \mathcal{S}_n in the long-time limit.

Subsystem $\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n$. We suppose that $1 \leq m < n \leq N$. Then the initial state $\omega_{\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n}^0(\cdot)$ on $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_m \otimes \mathcal{H}_n) \simeq \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_m) \otimes \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}_n)$ of this composed subsystem is given by the partial trace

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n}^0(\widehat{w}(\alpha_1) \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_2)) &= \omega_\rho \left(\bigotimes_{k=0}^{m-1} \mathbb{1} \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_1) \otimes \bigotimes_{k=m+1}^{n-1} \mathbb{1} \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_2) \otimes \bigotimes_{k=n+1}^N \mathbb{1} \right) \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{|\alpha_1|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{|\alpha_2|^2}{4} \coth \frac{\beta}{2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.29)$$

This is the characteristic function of the product-state corresponding to two isolated systems with the same temperature.

We define the vector $\zeta^{(m,n)} := {}^t(0, 0, \dots, 0, \alpha_1, 0, \dots, 0, \alpha_2, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$, where α_1 occupies the $(m+1)$ th position and α_2 occupies the $(n+1)$ th position, then

$$\omega_{\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n}^{N\tau}(\widehat{w}(\alpha_1) \otimes \widehat{w}(\alpha_2)) = \omega_{\rho(N\tau)}(W(\zeta^{(m,n)})). \quad (2.30)$$

Again with help of Remark 1.2, we can calculate the components of $U_1^\sigma \dots U_N^\sigma \zeta^{(m,n)}$ as

$$(U_1^\sigma \dots U_N^\sigma \zeta^{(m,n)})_k = \quad (2.31)$$

$$\begin{cases} e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{m-1} g^\sigma w^\sigma [\alpha_1 + (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{n-m} \alpha_2] & (k=0) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{m-k-1} (g^\sigma w^\sigma)^2 [\alpha_1 + (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{n-m} \alpha_2] & (1 \leq k < m) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} [g^\sigma z^\sigma (-\tau) \alpha_1 + (g^\sigma w^\sigma)^2 (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{n-m-1} \alpha_2] & (k=m) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{n-k-1} (g^\sigma w^\sigma)^2 \alpha_2 & (m < k < n) \\ e^{iN\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma z^\sigma (-\tau) \alpha_2 & (k=n) \\ 0 & (n < k \leq N) \end{cases}.$$

The correlation between \mathcal{S}_m and \mathcal{S}_n , i.e. the corresponding off-diagonal elements of $X^\sigma(N\tau)$ are non-zero when $w \neq 0$, and large for small $n - m$ and they decrease to zero

as $n - m$ increase. Note that in contrast to the case $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_n$ (2.28) the last components $n < k \leq N$ in (2.31) as well as the state (2.30) do not depend on N . This reflects the fact that correlation involving \mathcal{S}_m and \mathcal{S}_n via subsystem \mathcal{S} is switched off after the moment $t = n\tau$. If $w = 0$, then (2.31) implies that $X^\sigma(N\tau)$ is always diagonal and that dynamics (2.30) keeps $\mathcal{S}_m + \mathcal{S}_n$ uncorrelated.

3 Time Evolution of Subsystems II

The arguments of Section 2.2 indicate that the components in the subsystems $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_N + \dots + \mathcal{S}_{N-n}$ have large mutual correlations for small n at $t = N\tau$ even when N large. And those correlation seems asymptotically stable as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

In this section, we consider the correlation among those components simultaneously for product initial densities. For this aim, let us divide the total system into two subsystems $\mathcal{S}_{n,k}$ and $\mathcal{C}_{n,k}$ at the moment $t = k\tau$, where

$$\mathcal{S}_{n,k} = \mathcal{S} + \mathcal{S}_k + \mathcal{S}_{k-1} + \dots + \mathcal{S}_{k-n+1}, \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$\mathcal{C}_{n,k} = \mathcal{S}_N + \dots + \mathcal{S}_{k+1} + \mathcal{S}_{k-n} + \dots + \mathcal{S}_1. \quad (3.2)$$

Here, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is supposed to be fixed small and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ large enough. We may imagine that the “cavity” \mathcal{S} and “atoms” $\mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_N$ are lined as

$$\mathcal{S}_N, \dots, \mathcal{S}_{k+1}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_k, \dots, \mathcal{S}_{k-n+1}, \mathcal{S}_{k-n}, \dots, \mathcal{S}_1$$

at this moment. The interaction between \mathcal{S} and each of $\mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_k$ has already ended, and they are correlated. While $\mathcal{S}_{k+1}, \dots, \mathcal{S}_N$ have not interacted with \mathcal{S} , yet. Let us regard that $\mathcal{S}_{n,k}$ is the “state” at $t = k\tau$ of the time developing single object $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$. That is, $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ has $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_k, \dots, \mathcal{S}_{k-n}$ as its components at the time $t = k\tau$. And it develops changing its components as well as the correlation among them. As the time pass from $t = (k-1)\tau$ to $k\tau$, the “atom” \mathcal{S}_k enters into $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ and the “atom” \mathcal{S}_{k-n} leaves from $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$. It is also possible to regard $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ as the view from the window which is made to look the “cavity” and the n “atoms” just have interacted with the “cavity”.

We are interested in $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$, since it might be interpreted as a simplified mathematical model of physical objects in equilibrium with the reservoir or of metabolizing life forms which maintain their life by interacting with the environment, i.e., the macroscopic many body systems which are macroscopically stable but exchange their constituent particles as well as energy with the reservoir microscopically.

Below we consider the large-time asymptotic behavior of state for $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$, i.e., for the subsystem $\mathcal{S}_{n,k}$ with fixed n and large and variable k for the initial state (2.5) with general density matrices $\rho_0, \rho_1 \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{F})$.

To express the state of $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ at $t = k\tau$, we decompose the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} into a tensor product of two Hilbert spaces

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}_{n,k}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_{n,k}}.$$

Here $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}_{n,k}}$ is the Hilbert space for the subsystem (3.1) and $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_{n,k}}$ for (3.2):

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}_{n,k}} = \mathcal{H}_0 \bigotimes \left(\bigotimes_{j=k-n+1}^k \mathcal{H}_j \right), \quad \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_{n,k}} = \left(\bigotimes_{j=1}^{k-n} \mathcal{H}_j \right) \bigotimes \left(\bigotimes_{l=k+1}^N \mathcal{H}_l \right). \quad (3.3)$$

If $\rho \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H})$ is the initial density matrix of the total system $\mathcal{S}_{n,k} + \mathcal{C}_{n,k}$, the reduced density matrix $\rho_{\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}}(k\tau)$ of $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ at $t = k\tau$ is given by the partial trace

$$\rho_{\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}}(k\tau) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_{n,k}}} (T_{k\tau,0}^\sigma \rho) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_1}} \left(\text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_2}} (T_{k\tau,0}^\sigma \rho) \right), \quad (3.4)$$

for $k \geq n$ as in (2.2), where we decompose $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_{n,k}}$ as

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_{n,k}} = \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_1} \bigotimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_2}, \quad \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_1} = \bigotimes_{j=1}^{k-n} \mathcal{H}_j, \quad \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{C}_2} = \bigotimes_{l=k+1}^N \mathcal{H}_l.$$

3.1 Preliminaries

Here we introduce notations and definitions to study evolution of subsystems in somewhat more general setting than in the previous sections.

In order to avoid the confusion caused by the fact that every \mathcal{H}_j coincides with \mathcal{F} in our case, we treat the Weyl algebra on the subsystem and the corresponding reduced density matrix of $\rho \in \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{H})$ in the following way. On the Fock space $\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)}$ for $m = 0, 1, \dots, N$, we define the Weyl operators

$$W_m(\zeta) := \exp \left(i \frac{\langle \zeta, \tilde{b} \rangle_{m+1} + \langle \tilde{b}, \zeta \rangle_{m+1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right), \quad (3.5)$$

where $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$, $\tilde{b}_0, \dots, \tilde{b}_m$ and $\tilde{b}_0^*, \dots, \tilde{b}_m^*$ are the annihilation and the creation operators in $\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)}$, which are constructed as in (1.3) satisfying the corresponding CCR and

$$\langle \zeta, \tilde{b} \rangle_{m+1} = \sum_{j=0}^m \bar{\zeta}_j \tilde{b}_j, \quad \langle \tilde{b}, \zeta \rangle_{m+1} = \sum_{j=0}^m \zeta_j \tilde{b}_j^*.$$

By $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)})$, we denote the C^* -algebra generated by the Weyl operators (3.5).

To discuss the dynamics of our open system, it is convenient to introduce the *modified* Weyl operators (cf. Proposition 1.1)

$$W_m^\sigma(\zeta) := \exp \left[\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} \langle \zeta, \zeta \rangle_{m+1} \right] W_m(\zeta), \quad (3.6)$$

for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, where $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{n+1}$ denotes the inner product on \mathbb{C}^{m+1} . We also use the notation

$$\hat{w}^\sigma(\theta) := W_0^\sigma(\theta) \quad \text{for } \theta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (3.7)$$

Below, we adopt the abbreviations:

$$\mathcal{A}^{(m)} = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{C}^{(m)} = \mathfrak{C}_1(\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)}) \quad (3.8)$$

for the Weyl C^* algebra on $\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)}$ and the algebra of all trace class operators on $\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)}$ for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, respectively. Note that the bilinear form

$$\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_m : \mathcal{C}^{(m)} \times \mathcal{A}^{(m)} \ni (\rho, A) \mapsto \text{Tr}[\rho A] \in \mathbb{C} \quad (3.9)$$

yields the dual pair $(\mathcal{C}^{(m)}, \mathcal{A}^{(m)})$. Indeed, the following properties hold:

- (i) $\langle \rho | A \rangle_m = 0$ for every $A \in \mathcal{A}^{(m)}$ implies $\rho = 0$;
- (ii) $\langle \rho | A \rangle_m = 0$ for every $\rho \in \mathcal{C}^{(m)}$ implies $A = 0$;
- (iii) $|\langle \rho | A \rangle_m| \leq \|\rho\|_{\mathfrak{C}_1} \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}}$.

These properties are a direct consequence of the fact that $\mathcal{A}^{(m)}$ is weakly dense in $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}^{\otimes(m+1)})$ the dual space of $\mathcal{C}^{(m)}$. Below we shall use the topology $\sigma(\mathcal{C}^{(m)}, \mathcal{A}^{(m)})$ induced by the dual pair $(\mathcal{C}^{(m)}, \mathcal{A}^{(m)})$ on $\mathcal{C}^{(m)}$. We refer to it as the weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(m)}$ topology, see e.g. [Ro], [BR1].

Note that for the initial normal *product* state (2.5) the calculation of the partial trace over \mathcal{H}_{c_2} in (3.4) is straightforward:

$$\text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{c_2}}(T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(N)} \bigotimes_{j=0}^N \rho_j) = T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(k)} \bigotimes_{j=0}^k \rho_j. \quad (3.10)$$

Here $T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(m)}$ stands for the evolution map (1.18) on $\mathcal{C}^{(m)}$, for $k \leq m \leq N$.

To check (3.10), it is enough to show

$$\langle T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(N)} \bigotimes_{j=0}^N \rho_j | W_k(\zeta) \otimes \mathbb{1} \rangle_N = \langle T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(k)} \bigotimes_{j=0}^k \rho_j | W_k(\zeta) \rangle_k \quad (3.11)$$

for any $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{k+1}$, where $\mathbb{1}$ is the unit in algebra $\mathcal{A}^{(N-k-1)}$. Let $\tilde{\zeta} \in \mathbb{C}^{N+1}$ be defined by $\tilde{\zeta}_j = \zeta_j$ for $0 \leq j \leq k$, $\tilde{\zeta}_j = 0$ for $k < j \leq N$. Then $W_k(\zeta) \otimes \mathbb{1} = W_N(\tilde{\zeta})$ holds. Remark 1.2 readily yields

$$U_1^{\sigma(N)} \dots U_k^{\sigma(N)} \tilde{\zeta} = (U_1^{\sigma(k)} \dots U_k^{\sigma(k)} \zeta) \sim.$$

Together with (1.37), it follows that

$$T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(N)*}(W_N(\tilde{\zeta})) = \left(T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(k)*} W_k(\zeta) \right) \otimes \mathbb{1},$$

which implies

$$\langle \bigotimes_{j=0}^N \rho_j | T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(N)*}(W_k(\zeta) \otimes \mathbb{1}) \rangle_N = \langle \bigotimes_{j=0}^k \rho_j | T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(k)*} W_k(\zeta) \rangle_k. \quad (3.12)$$

This proves (3.11) and thereby the assertion (3.10).

Here we have used the notation $U_\ell^{\sigma(k)}$ for the $(k+1) \times (k+1)$ matrix whose components are given by

$$(U_\ell^{\sigma(k)})_{ij} = \begin{cases} e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma(\tau) (\delta_{j0} z^\sigma(\tau) + \delta_{j\ell} w^\sigma(\tau)) & (i = 0) \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma(\tau) (\delta_{j0} w^\sigma(\tau) + \delta_{j\ell} z^\sigma(-\tau)) & (i = \ell) \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} \delta_{ij} & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}, \quad (3.13)$$

for $\ell = 1, 2, \dots, k$ (c.f. Remark 1.2). Then the one step evolution $T_\ell^{\sigma(k)}$ on $\mathcal{C}^{(k)}$ is given by

$$\langle T_\ell^{\sigma(k)} \rho | W_k(\zeta) \rangle_k = \langle \rho | T_\ell^{\sigma(k)*} W_k(\zeta) \rangle_k$$

where

$$T_\ell^{\sigma(k)*} W_k(\zeta) = \exp \left[-\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} (\langle \zeta, \zeta \rangle_{k+1} - \langle U_\ell^{\sigma(k)} \zeta, U_\ell^{\sigma(m)} \zeta \rangle_{k+1}) \right] W_k(U_\ell^{\sigma(k)} \zeta), \quad (3.14)$$

$\rho \in \mathcal{C}^{(k)}$ and $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{k+1}$ (see Proposition 1.1).

To calculate the partial trace (3.4) with respect to \mathcal{H}_{c_1} , we introduce the imbedding:

$$r_{m+1,m} : \mathbb{C}^{m+1} \ni \zeta = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_0 \\ \zeta_1 \\ \zeta_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \zeta_m \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_0 \\ 0 \\ \zeta_1 \\ \zeta_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \zeta_m \end{pmatrix} = r_{m+1,m} \zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{m+2} \quad (3.15)$$

for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ and the partial trace over the *second* component $R_{m,m+1} : \mathcal{C}^{(m+1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{(m)}$ characterised by

$$\langle R_{m,m+1} \rho | \widehat{w}(\zeta_0) \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_m) \rangle_m = \langle \rho | \widehat{w}(\zeta_0) \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_m) \rangle_{m+1} \quad (3.16)$$

for $\rho \in \mathcal{C}^{(m+1)}$. Therefore, its dual operator $R_{m,m+1}^*$ has the expression:

$$R_{m,m+1}^* W_m(\zeta) = W_{m+1}(r_{m+1,m} \zeta) \quad \text{for } \zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{m+1}. \quad (3.17)$$

Lemma 3.1 For $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\ell = 1, 2, \dots, m$,

$$U_{\ell+1}^{\sigma(m+1)} r_{m+1,m} = r_{m+1,m} U_\ell^{\sigma(m)}, \quad (3.18)$$

holds.

Proof : In fact, for the vector $\zeta = {}^t(\zeta_0, \zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_m) \in \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$, one obtains

$$(U_{\ell+1}^{\sigma(m+1)} r_{m+1,m} \zeta)_j = (r_{m+1,m} U_{\ell}^{\sigma(m)} \zeta)_j$$

$$= \begin{cases} e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^{\sigma}(\tau)(z^{\sigma}(\tau)\zeta_0 + w^{\sigma}(\tau)\zeta_{\ell}) & (j=0) \\ 0 & (j=1) \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} \zeta_{j-1} & (2 \leq j \leq \ell) \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^{\sigma}(\tau)(w^{\sigma}(\tau)\zeta_0 + z^{\sigma}(-\tau)\zeta_{\ell}) & (j=\ell+1) \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} \zeta_{j-1} & (\ell+2 \leq j \leq m+1) \end{cases}$$

by explicit calculations. This proves the claim (3.18). \square

For $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$, let the maps $r_{k,m} : \mathbb{C}^{m+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{k+1}$ and $R_{m,k} : \mathcal{C}^{(k)} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{(m)}$ be defined by composition of the one-step maps (3.15), (3.16):

$$r_{k,m} = r_{k,k-1} \circ r_{k-1,k-2} \circ \dots \circ r_{m+1,m},$$

and

$$R_{m,k} = R_{m,m+1} \circ R_{m+1,m+2} \circ \dots \circ R_{k-1,k},$$

respectively. This definition together with (3.16) and (3.17) imply that $R_{m,k}^* : \mathcal{A}^{(m)} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{(k)}$ and

$$R_{m,k}^* \widehat{w}(\zeta_0) \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_m) = \widehat{w}(\zeta_0) \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \widehat{w}(\zeta_m). \quad (3.19)$$

Hence, by (3.16) the map $R_{m,k}$, which is predual to (3.19), acts as the partial trace over the components with indices $j = 1, 2, \dots, k-m$ of the tensor product $\bigotimes_{j=0}^k \rho_j \in \mathcal{C}^{(k)}$. Therefore, the map $R_{n,k}$ coincides with the partial trace Tr_{c_1} in (3.4). Then $R_{n,k}$ combined with (3.10) gives the expression

$$\rho_{\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}}(k\tau) = R_{n,k} T_{k\tau,0}^{\sigma(k)} \left(\bigotimes_{j=0}^k \rho_j \right) \quad \text{for } k \geq n+1. \quad (3.20)$$

We summarise the action of the above maps (3.15), (3.17)-(3.14) on the modified Weyl operators (3.6) by

Lemma 3.2 *Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then,*

$$(i) \quad R_{m,m+1}^*(W_m^{\sigma}(\zeta)) = W_{m+1}^{\sigma}(r_{m+1,m}\zeta), \quad (3.21)$$

$$(ii) \quad R_{m,m+k}^*(W_m^{\sigma}(\zeta)) = W_{m+k}^{\sigma}(r_{m+k,m}\zeta) \quad (3.22)$$

holds for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$; and

$$(iii) \quad T_{\ell}^{\sigma(m)*}(W_m^{\sigma}(\zeta)) = W_m^{\sigma}(U_{\ell}^{\sigma(m)}\zeta), \quad (3.23)$$

$$(iv) \quad T_1^{\sigma(m)*} T_2^{\sigma(m)*} \dots T_{\ell}^{\sigma(m)*}(W_m^{\sigma}(\zeta)) = W_m^{\sigma}(U_1^{\sigma(m)} \dots U_{\ell-1}^{\sigma(m)} U_{\ell}^{\sigma(m)}\zeta), \quad (3.24)$$

$$(v) \quad U_{\ell+k}^{\sigma(m+k)} r_{m+k,m} = r_{m+k,m} U_{\ell}^{\sigma(m)} \quad (3.25)$$

holds for $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$ and $\ell = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Note that the claim (v) in the above is an obvious extension of Lemma 3.1. This lemma yields the following statement.

Lemma 3.3 For $m, k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\ell = 1, 2, \dots, m$,

$$R_{m,m+k}^* T_\ell^{\sigma(m)*} = T_{\ell+k}^{\sigma(m+k)*} R_{m,m+k}^* \quad (3.26)$$

holds on $\mathcal{A}^{(m)}$. Therefore

$$R_{m,m+k} T_{\ell+k}^{\sigma(m+k)} = T_\ell^{\sigma(m)} R_{m,m+k} \quad (3.27)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & R_{m,m+k} T_k^{\sigma(m+k)} T_{k-1}^{\sigma(m+k)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(m+k)} \\ &= (R_{m,m+1} T_1^{\sigma(m+1)}) \dots (R_{m+k-2,m+k-1} T_1^{\sigma(m+k-1)}) (R_{m+k-1,m+k} T_1^{\sigma(m+k)}) \end{aligned} \quad (3.28)$$

hold on $\mathcal{C}^{(m+k)}$.

Proof : The identity (3.26) follows from Lemma 3.2 by considering the action on the modified Weyl operators. By taking its adjoint, (3.27) follows. A simple application of induction over k yields the last identity. \square

Let us concentrate on the evolution of the subsystem \mathcal{S} , first. To this aim, we introduce the map $\mathcal{T}[\cdot | \cdot] : \mathcal{C}^{(0)} \times \mathcal{C}^{(0)} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{(0)}$ to express the *one-step* evolution

$$\mathcal{T}[\rho_0 | \rho_1] = R_{0,1} T_1^{\sigma(1)} (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1) \quad \text{for } \rho_0, \rho_1 \in \mathcal{C}^{(0)}, \quad (3.29)$$

of the density matrix ρ_0 under the influence of ρ_1 , see (3.20). We also denote by

$$\mathcal{T}[\rho] := e^{-i\epsilon\tau a^* a} \rho e^{i\epsilon\tau a^* a} \quad \text{for } \rho \in \mathcal{C}^{(0)}, \quad (3.30)$$

the “free” one-step evolution of density matrix corresponding to any of subsystems \mathcal{S}_k , c.f. (1.8). Then one obtains the following assertion.

Lemma 3.4 For any $\ell, m \in \mathbb{N}$ fulfilling $\ell \leq m$, $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^m$, $\theta \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\rho_0, \rho_1, \dots, \rho_\ell \in \mathcal{C}^{(0)}$, the following properties hold:

- (i) $\mathcal{T}^{*\otimes m} [W_{m-1}^\sigma(\zeta)] = W_{m-1}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau}\zeta), (\mathcal{T}^{-1})^{*\otimes m} [W_{m-1}^\sigma(\zeta)] = W_{m-1}^\sigma(e^{-i\epsilon\tau}\zeta);$
- (ii) $\mathcal{T} R_{0,1} = R_{0,1} \mathcal{T}^{\otimes 2};$
- (iii) $\langle \mathcal{T}[\rho_0 | \rho_1] | \hat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 = \langle \rho_0 | \hat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma(\tau) z^\sigma(\tau) \theta) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_1 | \hat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma(\tau) w^\sigma(\tau) \theta) \rangle_0;$
- (iv) $\mathcal{T}^{\otimes(m+1)} T_\ell^{\sigma(m)} = T_\ell^{\sigma(m)} \mathcal{T}^{\otimes(m+1)}, \quad (\mathcal{T}^{-1})^{\otimes(m+1)} T_\ell^{\sigma(m)} = T_\ell^{\sigma(m)} (\mathcal{T}^{-1})^{\otimes(m+1)};$
- (v) $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}[\rho_0 | \rho_1]) = \mathcal{T}[\mathcal{T}\rho_0 | \mathcal{T}\rho_1], \quad \mathcal{T}^{-1}(\mathcal{T}[\rho_0 | \rho_1]) = \mathcal{T}[\mathcal{T}^{-1}\rho_0 | \mathcal{T}^{-1}\rho_1];$
- (vi) $R_{\ell-1,\ell} T_1^{\sigma(\ell)} [\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_\ell] = \mathcal{T}[\rho_0 | \rho_1] \otimes \mathcal{T}[\rho_2] \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{T}[\rho_\ell].$

Here $(\cdot)^{\otimes(m+1)}$ denotes the $(m+1)$ -fold tensor product of the corresponding operator (\cdot) .

Proof : (i) Since

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \rho | \mathcal{T}^*[\widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta)] \rangle_0 &= \langle \mathcal{T}\rho | [\widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta)] \rangle_0 \\ &= \text{Tr}(\rho e^{i\epsilon\tau a^* a} \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) e^{-i\epsilon\tau a^* a}) = \text{Tr}(\rho \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau}\theta)) = \langle \rho | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau}\theta) \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

holds for $\rho \in \mathcal{C}^{(0)}$, we obtain the desired equality for $m = 1$. The equalities for $m > 1$ follow from (1.27) and the definition of tensor product of $(\mathcal{T}^{\pm 1})^*$.

(ii) Taking into account (i) of Lemma 3.2 and the above (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{T}R_{0,1})^* \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) &= R_{0,1}^* \mathcal{T}^* \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) = R_{0,1}^* \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau}\theta) = W_1^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau}r_{1,0}\theta) \\ &= \mathcal{T}^{\otimes 2*} W_1^\sigma(r_{1,0}\theta) = \mathcal{T}^{\otimes 2*} R_{0,1}^* \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) = (R_{0,1} \mathcal{T}^{\otimes 2})^* \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) By virtue of (3.15) and (3.13) one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} U_1^{\sigma(1)} r_{1,0}\theta &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma z^\sigma, e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma w^\sigma \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma w^\sigma, e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma z^\sigma(-\tau) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta \\ e^{i\tau\epsilon} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

which impllies

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{T}[\rho_0 | \rho_1] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 &= \langle R_{0,1} T_1^{\sigma(1)}[\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 \\ &= \langle \rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 | T_1^{\sigma(1)*} R_{0,1}^* \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_1 = \langle \rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 | W_1^\sigma(U_1^{\sigma(1)} r_{1,0}\theta) \rangle_1 \\ &= \langle \rho_0 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0. \end{aligned} \tag{3.31}$$

(iv) By applying the adjoint operators

$$(\mathcal{T}^{\pm 1})^{\otimes(m+1)*}, \quad T_\ell^{\sigma(m)*}$$

to the modified Weyl operators, we get

$$(\mathcal{T}^{\pm 1})^{\otimes(m+1)*} T_\ell^{\sigma(m)*} = T_\ell^{\sigma(m)*} (\mathcal{T}^{\pm 1})^{\otimes(m+1)*}$$

from (iii) of Lemma 3.2 and the above (i). Then, duality derives the assertion.

(v) These identities follow from the above (ii), (iv) and the definition (3.29).

(vi) Let $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^\ell$. By (3.15) and (3.13), we obtain

$$U_1^{\sigma(\ell)} r_{\ell,\ell-1}\zeta = e^{i\tau\epsilon} {}^t(g^\sigma z^\sigma \zeta_0, g^\sigma w^\sigma \zeta_0, \zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_{\ell-1}),$$

where ${}^t(\dots)$ is the vector transposition. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle R_{\ell-1,\ell} T_1^{\sigma(\ell)}(\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_\ell) | W_{\ell-1}^\sigma(\zeta) \rangle_{\ell-1} \\ &= \langle \rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_\ell | T_1^{\sigma(\ell)*} R_{\ell-1,\ell}^* W_{\ell-1}^\sigma(\zeta) \rangle_\ell = \langle \rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_\ell | W_\ell^\sigma(U_1^{\sigma(\ell)} r_{\ell,\ell-1}\zeta) \rangle_\ell \\ &= \langle \rho_0 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma(\tau) z^\sigma(\tau) \zeta_0) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma(\tau) w^\sigma(\tau) \zeta_0) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_2 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} \zeta_1) \rangle_0 \dots \langle \rho_\ell | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} \zeta_{\ell-1}) \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \langle \mathcal{T}[\rho_0|\rho_1] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\zeta_0) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_2 | \mathcal{T}^*[w^\sigma(\zeta_1)] \rangle_0 \dots \langle \rho_\ell | \mathcal{T}^*[w^\sigma(\zeta_{\ell-1})] \rangle_0 \\
&= \langle \mathcal{T}[\rho_0|\rho_1] \otimes \mathcal{T}[\rho_2] \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{T}[\rho_\ell] | W_{\ell-1}^\sigma(\zeta) \rangle_{\ell-1},
\end{aligned}$$

where we used (iii) and (i) at the fourth equality. These finish the proof of the lemma. \square

Note that (3.31) coincides with (2.7).

Next, we consider the multi-step evolution for the subsystem \mathcal{S} . To this aim, we define $\mathcal{T}^{(k)} : \mathcal{C}^{(0)(k+1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{(0)}$ by

$$\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k] = R_{0,k} T_k^{\sigma(k)} T_{k-1}^{\sigma(k)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(k)} (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_k), \quad (3.32)$$

for $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\rho_0, \rho_1, \dots, \rho_k \in \mathcal{C}^{(0)}$, c.f. (3.20), (3.29).

The following lemma holds.

Lemma 3.5 *For any $\theta \in \mathbb{C}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\rho_0, \rho_1, \dots, \rho_k, \dots \in \mathcal{C}^{(0)}$, the following properties hold:*

- (i) $\mathcal{T}^{(1)}[\rho_0|\rho_1] = \mathcal{T}[\rho_0|\rho_1]$;
- (ii) $\mathcal{T}^{(k+1)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_{k+1}] = \mathcal{T}[\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k] | \mathcal{T}^k \rho_{k+1}]$
 $= \mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\mathcal{T}[\rho_0|\rho_1] | \mathcal{T} \rho_2, \dots, \mathcal{T} \rho_{k+1}]$;
- (iii) $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k]) = \mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\mathcal{T} \rho_0 | \mathcal{T} \rho_1, \dots, \mathcal{T} \rho_k]$;
 $\mathcal{T}^{-1}(\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k]) = \mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\mathcal{T}^{-1} \rho_0 | \mathcal{T}^{-1} \rho_1, \dots, \mathcal{T}^{-1} \rho_k]$;
- (iv) $R_{m,k+m} T_k^{\sigma(k+m)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(k+m)} [\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_{k+m}]$
 $= \mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k] \otimes \mathcal{T}^k[\rho_{k+1}] \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{T}^k[\rho_{k+m}]$ for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$;
- (v) $\langle \mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1 | \dots, \rho_k] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 = \langle \rho_0 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{ik\epsilon\tau}(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^k \theta) \rangle_0$
 $\times \prod_{j=1}^k \langle \rho_j | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{ik\epsilon\tau}(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{k-j} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0.$

Proof : (i) This is obvious by definition.

(ii) By Lemma 3.3, we get

$$R_{0,k} T_k^{\sigma(k)} T_{k-1}^{\sigma(k)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(k)} = (R_{0,1} T_1^{\sigma(1)}) (R_{1,2} T_1^{\sigma(2)}) \dots (R_{k-1,k} T_1^{\sigma(k)}).$$

Then, definition (3.32) and Lemma 3.4(vi) yield

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k] &= (R_{0,1} T_1^{\sigma(1)}) (R_{1,2} T_1^{\sigma(2)}) \dots (R_{k-1,k} T_1^{\sigma(k)}) (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_k) \\
&= \mathcal{T}[\mathcal{T}[\dots \mathcal{T}[\mathcal{T}[\rho_0|\rho_1] | \mathcal{T} \rho_2] \dots | \mathcal{T}^{k-2} \rho_{k-1}] | \mathcal{T}^{k-1} \rho_k],
\end{aligned}$$

which implies the claim.

(iii) This can be derived by induction using above (ii) and Lemma 3.4(iv).

(iv) Due to Lemma 3.3, we have

$$R_{m,k+m} T_k^{\sigma(k+m)} T_{k-1}^{\sigma(k+m)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(k+m)} (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_{k+m})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (R_{m,m+1} T_1^{\sigma(m+1)}) (R_{m+1,m+2} T_1^{\sigma(m+2)}) \dots \\
&\dots (R_{m+k-1,m+k} T_1^{\sigma(m+k)}) (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_{k+m}).
\end{aligned}$$

Using successively Lemma 3.4(vi) and the result (ii) of the present lemma, one obtains the assertion.

(v) By virtue of Lemma 3.4(ii) and of the result (i) above, one can prove the case $k = 1$. Let us assume the validity for $k \geq 1$. Then the validity of the case $k + 1$ follows from the (ii) above and the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \mathcal{T}^{(k+1)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_{k+1}] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 &= \langle \mathcal{T}[\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_k] | \mathcal{T}^k \rho_{k+1}] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \langle \mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_k] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \langle \mathcal{T}^k \rho_{k+1} | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \langle \rho_0 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{ik\epsilon\tau} (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^k e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&\times \prod_{j=1}^k \langle \rho_j | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{ik\epsilon\tau} (g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{k-j} g^\sigma w^\sigma e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_{k+1} | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i(k+1)\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0,
\end{aligned}$$

which proves the assertion (v) by induction. \square

Here, we comment that Lemma 3.5 (v) is a revisit to the evolution of the subsystem \mathcal{S} in Lemma 2.2.

3.2 Reduced density matrices of finite subsystems

In this section, we consider evolution of subsystems $\mathcal{S}_{n,k}$ (3.1) and $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$. Our aim is to study the large-time asymptotic behaviour of their states, when initial density matrix is given by (2.5).

For the density matrix ρ_1 in (2.5), we assume the condition:

$$\begin{aligned}
[\text{H}] \quad D(\theta) &= \prod_{l=0}^{\infty} \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}((g^\sigma z^\sigma)^l \theta) \rangle_0 \text{ converge for any } \theta \in \mathbb{C} \\
&\text{and the map } \mathbb{R} \ni t \mapsto D(t\theta) \in \mathbb{C} \text{ is continuous.}
\end{aligned}$$

Here, we do not assume gauge invariance of ρ_1 . (c.f. Theorem 2.3)

Under the condition [H], one obtains the following theorem:

Theorem 3.6 *There exists a unique density matrix ρ_* on \mathcal{F} such that $\mathcal{T}[\rho_* | \rho_1] = \mathcal{T}\rho_*$ holds. And ρ_* also satisfies*

- (1) $\omega_{\rho_*}(\widehat{w}(\theta)) = \exp \left[-\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} \left(1 - \frac{|g^\sigma(\tau) w^\sigma(\tau)|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma(\tau) z^\sigma(\tau)|^2} \right) \right] D(g^\sigma(\tau) w^\sigma(\tau) \theta);$
- (2) $\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_* | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1] = \mathcal{T}^k \rho_*$ for $k > 1$;
- (3) *For any density matrix ρ_0 in (2.5), the convergence $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{T}^{-k} \left(\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1] \right) = \rho_*$ holds in the weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(0)}$ topology on $\mathcal{C}^{(0)}$.*

Remark 3.7 (a) The weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(0)}$ topology on $\mathcal{C}^{(0)}$ induced by the pair $(\mathcal{C}^{(0)}, \mathcal{A}^{(0)})$ (3.9) is coarser than the weak*- $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F})$ topology, which coincides with the weak and the norm topologies on the set of normal states [Ro, BR1].

(b) When ρ_1 is gauge-invariant, the characteristic function in (1) coincides with (2.16) and the present theorem reduces to Theorem 2.3. Especially, the free evolution $\mathcal{T}[\rho_* | \rho_1] = \mathcal{T}[\rho_*]$ reduces to the invariance $\mathcal{T}[\rho_* | \rho_1] = \rho_*$.

Proof : First, we note that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle \rho_0 | w^\sigma ((g^\sigma z^\sigma)^k \theta) \rangle_0 = 1$ because of $|g^\sigma z^\sigma| < 1$ and of the weak continuity of the state $\omega_{\rho_0} = \langle \rho_0 | \cdot \rangle_0$. Then by Lemma 3.5 (iii),(v) and Lemma 3.4(i), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{T}^{-k} \left(\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1] \right) | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{T}^{-k}[\rho_0] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{ik\epsilon\tau}(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^k \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&\times \prod_{j=0}^k \langle \mathcal{T}^{-k}[\rho_1] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{ik\epsilon\tau}(g^\sigma z^\sigma)^{k-j} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \prod_{l=0}^{\infty} \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}^\sigma((g^\sigma z^\sigma)^l g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \exp \left[\frac{|\theta|^2}{4} \frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{\sigma_- - \sigma_+} \frac{|g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} \right] D(g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

which means that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathcal{T}^{-k} \left(\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1] \right) | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0$ is equal to the right-hand side of (1) in the theorem. (Recall (3.6) and (3.7).) The right-hand side of (1) satisfies: (i) *normalization*, (ii) *unitarity* and (iii) *positivity*, and (vi) *regularity*, since it is a limit of characteristic functions, under condition [H]. Hence from the Araki-Segal theorem as in Section 2.1, there exists a state ω_* on the CCR-algebra $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F})$ such that its characteristic function is given by the right-hand side of (1). Moreover, the continuity assumption about the function D yields that the state ω_* is normal by the Stone-von Neumann uniqueness theorem [BR2]. Hence, there exists a density matrix ρ_* such that $\omega_* = \omega_{\rho_*}$, which conclude (1). Now, (3) is obvious.

Free evolution $\mathcal{T}[\rho_* | \rho_1] = \mathcal{T}\rho_*$ can be derived from (1) by the use of Lemma 3.4 (iii),(i) and (3.6), (3.7). Indeed, one has

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle \mathcal{T}[\rho_* | \rho_1] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 = \langle \rho_* | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}^\sigma(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \exp \left[\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} (|g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta|^2 + |g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta|^2) \right] \\
&\times \langle \rho_* | \widehat{w}(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0 \\
&= \exp \left[\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} \left(|g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta|^2 + \frac{|g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} |g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta|^2 \right) \right] \\
&\times D(g^\sigma w^\sigma e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \rangle_0
\end{aligned} \tag{3.34}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \exp \left[\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} \frac{|g^\sigma w^\sigma|^2}{1 - |g^\sigma z^\sigma|^2} D(e^{i\epsilon\tau} g^\sigma w^\sigma \theta) \right] \\
&= \exp \left[\frac{\sigma_- + \sigma_+}{4(\sigma_- - \sigma_+)} |\theta|^2 \right] \langle \rho_* | \widehat{w}(e^{i\epsilon\tau} \theta) \rangle_0 = \langle \mathcal{T}[\rho_*] | \widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta) \rangle_0 = \omega_{\mathcal{T}[\rho_*]}(\widehat{w}^\sigma(\theta)) ,
\end{aligned}$$

where we used the equality $D(g^\sigma z^\sigma \theta) \langle \rho_1 | \widehat{w}(\theta) \rangle_0 = D(\theta)$.

Now the assertion (2) follows directly from $\mathcal{T}[\rho_* | \rho_1] = \mathcal{T}\rho_*$, by using Lemma 3.5(ii)(iii).

To prove the uniqueness of ρ_* , let ρ_\spadesuit be another density matrix satisfying $\mathcal{T}[\rho_\spadesuit | \rho_1] = \mathcal{T}\rho_\spadesuit$. Then, ρ_\spadesuit satisfies the property (2) and

$$\rho_\spadesuit = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{T}^{-k}[\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1]] ,$$

which coincides with ρ_* by (3). Hence, one gets $\rho_\spadesuit = \rho_*$. \square

Now we consider the large-time behaviour of the states (3.4) of subsystems $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$. Let ρ_1 be a density matrix on \mathcal{F} satisfying the condition [H]. Then we have the following theorem.

Theorem 3.8 *For any density matrix ρ_0 on \mathcal{F} and $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $m \geq n$, the limit:*

$$(\mathcal{T}^{-k})^{\otimes(m+1)} R_{m,m+k} T_{(n+k)\tau,0}^{\sigma(m+k)} (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes(m+k)}) \longrightarrow T_{n\tau,0}^{\sigma(m)} (\rho_* \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes m}) \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty ,$$

holds in the weak- $\mathcal{A}^{(m)}$ topology on $\mathcal{C}^{(m)}$. Here ρ_* is the density matrix on \mathcal{F} given in Theorem 3.6.*

Proof : By Lemma 3.3, Lemma 3.5(iv) and Lemma 3.4(iv), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\mathcal{T}^{-k})^{\otimes(m+1)} R_{m,m+k} T_{(n+k)\tau,0}^{\sigma(m+k)} (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes(m+k)}) \\
&= (\mathcal{T}^{-k})^{\otimes(m+1)} T_n^{\sigma(m)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(m)} R_{m,m+k} T_k^{\sigma(m+k)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(m+k)} (\rho_0 \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes(m+k)}) \\
&= (\mathcal{T}^{-k})^{\otimes(m+1)} T_n^{\sigma(m)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(m)} (\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1] \otimes (\mathcal{T}^k[\rho_1])^{\otimes m}) \\
&= T_n^{\sigma(m)} \dots T_1^{\sigma(m)} (\mathcal{T}^{-k})^{\otimes(m+1)} (\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1] \otimes (\mathcal{T}^k[\rho_1])^{\otimes m}) \\
&= T_{n\tau,0}^{\sigma(m)} (\mathcal{T}^{-k}[\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1]] \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes m}).
\end{aligned}$$

Since one has

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{T}^{-k}(\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1]) = \rho_*$$

in the weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(0)}$ topology, we obtain also the weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(m)}$ convergence

$$(\mathcal{T}^{-k}[\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1]]) \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes m} \longrightarrow \rho_* \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes m} \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty .$$

By the duality (3.9), one also gets the continuity of $T_{n\tau,0}^{\sigma(m)}$ and hence, the weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(m)}$ convergence

$$T_{n\tau,0}^{\sigma(m)} (\mathcal{T}^{-k}[\mathcal{T}^{(k)}[\rho_0 | \rho_1, \dots, \rho_1]] \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes m}) \longrightarrow T_{n\tau,0}^{\sigma(m)} (\rho_* \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes m}) \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty ,$$

claimed in the theorem. \square

Let us put $m = n$ in the theorem. Then by (3.20), we obtain the limit of the reduced density matrix $\rho_{\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}}(\cdot)$ for the subsystem $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$:

Corollary 3.9 *The convergence*

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{T}^{-k})^{\otimes(n+1)} \rho_{\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}}((n+k)\tau) = T_{n\tau,0}^{\sigma(n)}(\rho_* \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes n}) \quad (3.35)$$

holds in the weak*- $\mathcal{A}^{(n)}$ topology on $\mathcal{C}^{(n)}$.

Since \mathcal{T} is the free evolution (3.30), the limit (3.35) means that dynamics of subsystem $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ is the asymptotically-free evolution of the state, which is given by the n -step evolution of the initial density matrix $\rho_* \otimes \rho_1^{\otimes n}$ of the system $\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{C}_n$.

From the continuous time point of view, the subsystem $\mathcal{S}_{\sim n}$ shows the asymptotic behaviour, which is a combination of the free evolution and the periodic evolution, c.f. Remark 2.4(a).

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